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PROPAGATION: Aug. 16, 17, High Normal; Aug. 18, 19, Above Normal; Aug. 20, High/Low Normal; Aug. 21, 22, Low Normal; Aug. 23, 24, High/Low Normal; Aug. 25, 26, High Normal; Aug. 27, 28, High/Low Normal; Aug. 29, 30, Low Normal. TNX N4XX.

600DX was originally scheduled to leave Somalia to return home to Italy about August 15, but he is negotiating for an additional two weeks, and if he gets the permission to stay the time will be devoted to radio almost exclusively. Guiseppe has been very active on 10, 15 and 20 Meters, both SSB and CW. We even found him on 21200 working VKs at 0600. He then switched to 28600 and worked FRØFLO... 'FLO could be heard in Connecticut but not 600DX. 600DX can be found anytime from 1700 to 0400, at 21025, 21290, 14025 and 14250. QSL I2YAE.

JUAN FERNANDEZ EXPEDITION scheduled to have started August 8 has apparently been postponed until the first of September, due to transportation hangups. It is understood that CEØCJA will be the callsign if and when the group of Chileans makes it on the air.

ZL2AQF, who has been signing ZK1CF from the South Cooks chain left Aug. 15 for North Cooks and plans a two-week stay there, possibly to use the same callsign. Sources indicate the next three stops are Tonga A35, Wallis FW and Kermadec ZL/K, not necessarily in that order. QSL per TDXB Issue 50, p. 2, to ZL2AQF. Watch 28550, 21300, and 14250, 2000 to 0600.

J28AZ will be making frequent trips to Ethiopia over the next week or ten days and will operate signing ET2AZ.

KH6LW/KH7 KURE ISLAND will be on now through about August 26; look for him on the WB6LED/K9AUB gathering on 14280-290 at 0600.

VK9ZG WILLIS has been found most regularly on 14075, 0800-0900, and on SSB between 14200 and 14280, 1100-1400. The CW operation in particular appears to be almost daily.

JUAN DE NOVA team leaving West Germany on September 9 should be on about four days later (TDXB Issue 49, p. 2). Licenses are in hand and the team members are DJ5RT, DJ6SI, DJ7YQ, and DL2WI. Usual DXpedition frequencies, SSB and CW. QSLs to Dieter Löffler, DK9KD, PO BOX 620 260, Köln 60, W. Germany. Please send only one QSL card per envelope. P.S. They may operate Glorioso again, too!

QSLs from this group's April 1980 Glorioso operation (FRØACB, ACC and RX, have been in the mail for about two weeks.

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73 MAGAZINE sent Tim Daniels, N8RK, a summer intern staff member, to Dominica immediately following Hurricane Allen's strike there. Tim left Boston that very night with two base stations, eight handi talkies, antennas, etc. He was to work with J6LT, the island's minister of information, in assisting communications efforts.

CORSICA will be available August 30 to September 15, with the following operators signing FCØFOC: DF5RT, DJ3TF, DF5RK, DF7EO, DF7RT, DF9RB, and DL1RAM. QSL to DJ3TF.

CW: 22 KHz from lower band edges

SSB: 1825, 3795, 7095, 14195, 14295, 21295, 28495, 28595

The group will have a location about 1000 feet from the beach and they expect good propagation in all directions. Europeans interested in meteor scatter schedules on the VHF bands are asked to listen to the European VHF Net on 14345 for FCØFOC and make their skeds there. Look for a preponderance of CW operation from the low band group, especially on 80 and 40 Meters.

SARDINIA includes the island of Maddalena, from which an Italian group will sign IMØMIE (Maddalena Island Expedition) August 29 through September 9. The group includes I8XIU, I8KCI, I8UDB, I8ULL and IØMLX. QSL manager will be I8XIU. All bands, both SSB and CW. This Island counts for Sardinia (DXCC) and EU 41 (IOTA).

HEARD ISLAND expedition progress reported by Jim Smith, P29JS...a license has been issued for VKØJS, the Government Department has reiterated its concerns for the safety of the crew and protection of the Islands delicate ecology, negotiations are underway for a vessel, and donations in response to the initial announcement of the proposed trip have amounted to about eight hundred dollars.

As stated earlier, the trip will involve about twenty days sailing time, fourteen days on Heard Island, and the team will consist of about six experienced operators plus a scientific officer. The main stumbling block at this point is finances...it is doubtful the boat captain will take credit secured by the promise of 20,000 QSLs at a dollar apiece.

ANGELO MENDES, D4CBS, who has been in the U.S. since July 30, will be back on Cape Verde in mid September for eleven days, then will return to Massachusetts for an extended stay (months). His address there should be used for all QSL requests:

Angelo Mendes,
136 Chestnut Street
New Bedford, MA 02740 USA

A CW station signing S9CBS a couple of weeks ago is unknown by Angelo. He himself has absolutely no plans for an S9 operation.

The Oak Ridge Tennessee DX group which operated at VP2A during the 1980 ARRL DX Contest (Phone) is planning a similar expedition to Rrand Cayman Island for the same activity next year (March 7-8, 1981). KR4C, W4MDX, WA4CDH, WA4DEP, K4OMI and K4LTA will operate both CW and SSB before and after the 'test (they're going to operate after the 48 hour contest? - Ed.). They will be running single transmitter, multi-op. during the activity, and would like to hear from any other groups with similar plans. Last year a disaster was barely averted when this group discovered, after three months of planning, that another group also had tickets for Antigua for the same weekend!

WA3DMH was pleased to get a QSL from FRØRX/Glorioso...the operator was DJ5RT, who used that callsign for a handful of contacts.

Yes, K4YT, who just left C5ACO, is going to be in Guinea 3X...but our State Department source says it will be a miracle if anyone gets permission to operate a radio there.

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BANDPASS: Call/Freq./UTC (plus West, Central, East Coast report)/Day of Month

Africa			
A22BW/14222/15W/2	FRØFLO/14214/03C/5	TU4AT/21296/18E/4	5NØRMJ/21323/04E/3
A22GV/14200/14W/2	FRØFLO/14215/12E/11	TU4AW/21280/18C/5	5R8AL/14272/04E/2
CN8BO/14075/09E/7	FRØFLO/21300/19W/1	TU4AT/21295/18C/5	5Z4YV/21295/22C/5
CT3AR/21274/12E/11	J28AZ/14204/13E/1	VQ9JW/21037/18W/30	60ØDX/14250/03W/1
C5ABK/14203/03C/8	J28AZ/14241/02E/2	VQ9JJ/21018/21E/7	60ØDX/14025/14W/2
C5ACO/21287/20E/1	J28AZ/14240/02E/5	XT2AU/14300/23E/4	60ØDX/14250/03C/11
C5ACO/21305/18E/3	J28AZ/14214/12E/5	3B6CD/14027/03C/7	60ØDX/21298/18W/1
C5ACA/21310/16E/4	DJ1US/	3D6BK/14053/13C/3	60ØDX/21299/20W/2
D4CBC/14205/06W/2	ST3/21373/01E/31	3B8DB/14203/11C/5	6W8JO/14205/23C/6
D4CBC/14208/05C/3	TL8WH/14280/07C/3	3B8DB/14205/10E/12	6W8IC/14238/08E/12
D4CBC/21305/19W/1	F6KGU/	3B8CF/21031/04C/6	7X2BK/21318/16E/1
D68AP/21283/19E/7	TL8/14256/04E/5	5H3KS/14208/12E/7	8Q7AV/14205/12E/11
D68AP/21282/20C/7	TL8JM/14030/22E/7	5H3FW/14222/12C/11	8Q7AZ/21376/18E/7
EA8BF/14011/08E/3	TL8JM/21275/20C/7	5H3AA/21271/21E/7	9J2LL/14219/21C/7
EA8JJ/21280/18E/7	TL8JM/21308/21E/8	5NØSID/14205/00C/2	9G1KB/21348/19C/2
EA9GJ/21294/20W/2	TL8JM/21040/22E/8	5NØRMJ/14222/04C/3	9G1RR/21315/18E/4
EA9GJ/21317/19E/4	TU2HW/14257/07C/4	5NØDOG/14222/04E/7	9G1RI/21374/18E/7
	TU4AT/21292/18W/3	5NØDOG/21263/00C/2	9X5PP/28585/18C/2
Asia			
AP2MQ/14221/12E/7	HS1AMI/14202/12W/1	UF6FBH/14207/02C/8	4S7DJ/14212/12E/5
AP2MQ/21298/16W/1	HS1AMI/21300/19W/1	UG6AI/14230/03E/2	4S7EA/14218/11E/9
AP2MQ/21298/16E/1	HZ1AB/14210/02C/4	UI80AA/21025/04W/1	4S7DJ/21276/21E/6
A4XIH/21301/01E/29	HZ1AB/14228/02E/7	UK7FAR/14267/02C/5	5B4JA/14211/21W/1
A7XD/14211/04E/8	JY5HH/14242/03E/1	VS5MS/14235/15C/3	9K2JP/14226/20E/1
A7XD/21300/20E/8	OD5FB/14210/03C/7	VS6DD/14225/15E/7	9M2MW/14250/10E/12
WA2UUK/	OD5LX/14008/03C/4	VU2BBJ/14205/12C/5	9M2GZ/21305/18W/3
DU2/14204/15C/3	TA1MD/14280/18E/8	YB9ADA/14058/11E/2	9N1MM/14236/00E/4
HL9TS/14035/10E/4	UD6DKU/14049/03E/4	YB9ADA/14059/09E/3	9V1TL/14225/15E/7
HL9WZ/14208/12E/9	UF6CX/14212/02E/1	YC2BJQ/21296/18C/1	
	UF6FEF/14049/03E/4	4S7EA/14208/11C/5	
Europe			
CT2CB/21028/20W/2	M1C/14215/23E/5	OX3ZM/14201/18E/3	UK2RAC/14202/04C/11
CT2DE/21370/23C/2	OH2VY/	TF3CC/	ZB2EO/14018/10E/8
CT2CE/21280/19C/5	OHØ/14206/01C/6	OX/14206/23C/5	ZB2GK/21300/22E/2
WA4MBG/	OH2BDN/	SVØAM/14205/02C/4	3A2EE/14205/04W/2
HBØ/21332/16E/2	OHØ/21294/20C/5	SVØAT/21360/19C/2	
ISØOMH/7013/04E/3	OHØXZ/21025/21E/8	SVØAC/21264/21E/2	
M1C/14027/22C/4	OJØMA/14212/00C/2	UA2FCD/14035/22E/4	
	OJØMA/14202/23E/6	UK2FCB/14063/05W/6	
Oceania			
A35DE/14057/05W/7	AH2E/14211/10E/12	P29LB/14283/12E/3	VK9ZG/14212/11E/6
FK8CW/14034/07E/3	WA4CEH/	T3AT/28012/00C/3	VK9ZG/28885/02W/1
FK8DP/14024/05W/7	KH8/14237/12E/11	VK3NXX/28570/04E/11	VK9ZG/28885/02W/3
FK8DH/14270/08E/12	WA4CEH/	VK9NV/21026/04C/2	YJ8IND/21340/05W/1
H44PD/14230/12E/1	KH8/21345/01C/1	VK9ZG/14075/12W/1	ZK1BB/21035/04W/1
H44PD/14240/12E/9	WD4CVK/	VK9ZG/14211/14E/2	ZK1CF/21365/01C/1
H44SH/14206/11E/9	KH4/14285/10C/2	VK9ZG/14285/06C/4	ZK1CF/21299/01C/2
	P29AX/14223/12E/3	VK9ZG/14075/07W/4	
Elsewhere			
CE7BDJ/14208/03C/8	FB8XY/14332/13W/3	FB8ZO/14241/02E/2	HC8GI/21344/02E/8
CO5JV/7088/05C/3	FB8XY/14223/14C/6	FB8ZO/14022/12E/4	HKØBKX/14018/08E/3
CO7CRB/21287/19E/1	FB8XY/14225/12E/9	FB8ZO/14240/02E/5	HKØBKX/21025/16C/7
FB8XY/14225/14C/2	FB8XY/21295/13W/3	FB8ZO/14240/03C/8	HT1JCC/14021/05E/7
	FB8ZO/14040/13W/1	FM7BX/14202/15E/7	KC4AAA/14285/07C/4

Bulletin deadlines: Bandpass, Monday in Vernon; News items, Tuesday; Telephone 1400Z Tuesday.

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More BANDPASS:

KG4KK/21294/18W/3	PZ1DR/14237/10E/3	VP2VGA/14219/11C/8	4U1UN/21030/21W/1
KG4AM/21349/01C/7	TG9XGV/7005/04E/3	VP8SU/28640/14C/27	4U1UN/21288/00C/2
J73CB/21258/19C/2	TG9XGV/14006/08E/3	VP8QG/21296/13W/3	6Y5MC/14246/04C/3
PJ2FR/21272/23E/3	VKØRD/14266/13C/5	4U1UN/14237/02C/7	8R1RBF/21290/16C/3
OA4TZ/21383/03E/3			

PROPAGATION DATA (from KH6BZF, Tnx Lee)

ANDORRA

Date	Flux	Sunspots	Alpha	K
July				
15	211	217	9	2
16	230	303	8	2
17	249	277	9	3
18	245	307	22	5
19	253	293	11	1
20	250	275	7	2
21	246	320	8	1
22	241	311	6	2
23	228	278	5	2
24	215	204	6	2
25	200	210	31	6
26	191	151	19	3
27	183	160	15	3
28	164	n/a	14	Ø

Listening to the radio in this tiny country the first of August must have sounded like Connecticut during the DX Contest, with C31 callsigns colliding with each other on the bands. Here is some QSL information for which one(s) you may have worked:

C31MS: EA3MS	C31TD: WA3OMQ
C31MK: EA3WZ	C31MJ: EA3NE
C31UI: K7VAY	
C31UZ: WB7VDN	All good in recent Callbooks.

NASA Solar Flare Hotline: 301-344-8129

Dwight Sipler, AI3E, spent three weeks in the Marshall Islands in June/July; this is his story...

Although friends conjured up thoughts of crystal clear waters in a lagoon surrounded by coconut palms swaying to warm tropic breezes, accompanied by beautiful native women wearing exotic clothes (maybe), Roi-Namur island, the northernmost island of the atoll, is where the time was spent. It is used by the U.S. Army as part of the Pacific missile test range. Primary inhabitants are radars. We took a C141 cargo plane from Honolulu to Kwajalein, thence to Roi-Namur.

Operation was from the KX6DC club station...a callsign which has frequented the amateur bands on and off for a quarter century. About one week of operating was hampered by one-way propagation: 1700 contacts were made as AI3E/KX6. The amplifier worked part of the time but wasn't necessary when there was any sort of propagation. Next time there will be some 40 and 80 Meter operation; 160 is not authorized in the Trust Territory. QSLs to Dwight Sipler, 1876 Shaw Ave., Pittsburg PA 15217 USA.

Jan Gould, WA6YQW, member of last January's Kingman/Palmyra expedition, attended a recent meeting of the So. California DX Club. Jan was seriously injured in the plane landing at Palmyra and has required extensive treatment since that time. She is now out and getting around. Also at the meeting was Don Wallace, W6AM, now 81 years young! The meeting had, even in the dog days of summer, 130 DXers present. Dave Bell, W6AQ, maker of ham radio public relations movies, was presented a plaque for his generous donation to ARRL's WARC '79 fund.

Picasso

From the Editor: pardon this digression from radio topics. After 51 straight weeks of publishing without a break we took a short weekend trip to NYC (New York City). Connecticut has its disadvantages (like the highest sales tax in the nation and air pollution second only to Southern California), but one advantage is being only two hours from Boston to the North and NYC to the South. Tickets purchased two months ago gained us entrance to the Picasso exhibit at the Museum of Modern Art for an all-too-brief four hour stay.

Picasso's works are normally scattered around the world but at least a thousand of them are gathered at the MOMA through early September. Friends in Switzerland, Spain, Japan, Czechoslovakia and other countries have loaned the United States their Picassos for this exhibit, which occupies the entire three floors of the museum in a display which is simply beyond description. It was a wonderful experience, and I may go back.

NYC was dirtier than we have seen it in the past seven years, and this only two days before the Democratic convention. The effects of insolvency were painfully evident. But the people are just the same: we ran into a guy riding a bicycle down the sidewalk, a fat parrot perched on each handlebar. Not far behind was another resident, pulling a child's wagon, two tricycles attached, with six cats walking on leashes and two kittens in a basket. He said the cats usually ride the 'trikes but they've taken to hoofing it (or pawing it) due to the heat. Ah, New York.

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Somalia	600DX still on; this issue
Willis Island	VK9ZG very active; this issue
Andorra	This issue for QSL info
Guadeloupe	FG0FVB by WD4RCO started Aug. 15
Montserrat	W1CDC made it through Hurricane Allen; VP2MM until Aug. 30
Juan Fernandez	Apparently postponed; this issue...CE0CJA
Hell/Paradise	Your choice, W8TQE Aug. 23-24; Issue 50 P. 2
Dodecanese	SV0AM/5 now through Aug. 30, Issue 50 p. 3
Bajo Nuevo	Aug. 16, HK0AB, Issue 50
All Asia	CW Contest Aug. 23-24
Philippines	W6RZO visiting W3WYP/DU, Aug. 28- Sept. 4
Serrana Bank	HK0AA starting Aug. 23, Issue 50
Juan de Nova	Should start about Sept. 13; this issue
W9DXCC	Sept. 13, Arlington Heights, IL., Issue 50 and next week
DXPO 80	Sept. 27-28, Tyson's Corner, VA; next issue
Macao	CR9B by KP4KK Oct. 23-30; details next week
Houston Com-Vention	Oct. 3-5, details next week
Bermuda	W3OGY/VP9, Oct. 20-27

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